



CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT

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UPDATE **FUEL SPILL CLOSES STATE ROUTE 18** **BELOW STATE ROUTE 138**

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY - State Route 18 (SR-18) remains closed from 40th Street to State Route 138 (SR-138) due to an accident involving a tanker, which resulted in a large fuel spill. ***Caltrans plans to reopen SR-18 with one lane in each direction available to motorists by 8:00 p.m. tonight, September 5.***

Approximately 25 feet of the roadway was removed for contamination removal. Three of the four lanes will be repaved. NRC Environmental Service will continue to clean contaminated earth on the lower slope of the SR-18, however there is no available date as to when SR-18 will be reopened to four lanes.

State Route 330 (SR-330) will remain open under escort (one-way traffic control) until 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5. The new escort schedule will resume on Wednesday morning, September 6, from 5:30 to 8:30 am and 5:30 to 8:30 pm, seven (7) days a week, until early October 2006. At that time, updated information will be released on the SR-330 project.

Motorists are advised that delays are expected for the SR-330 escort process until SR-18 reopens.

An additional detour to Big Bear and Fawnskin is SR-38 (exit Orange St. in Redlands). For detour to Crestline, take SR-138 east toward Lake Silverwood from I-15. **Trucks and buses are not recommended on SR-138 from I-15.**

Caltrans urges motorists to avoid the closure area. For updates on Riverside and San Bernardino state highway work, please go to our website at www.caltrans8.info and click on "Press Releases" or call (866) 383-4631 for information.

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